

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
Plaintiff, ) CASE NO. MJ24-048  
v. )  
DAVID KEITH MERRIMAN, )  
Defendant. ) DETENTION ORDER

### Charged Offenses

## 1. Failure to Register as a Sex Offender

Date of Detention Hearing: January 26, 2024.

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142 and  
and based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set  
finds that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will  
ably assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and  
mmunity.

01                   FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

02           1.     Defendant is alleged to have absconded supervision and failed to register as a  
03 sex offender for an extended period of time, and therefore presents a significant risk of flight.  
04 Mr. Merriman does not contest detention.

05           2.     There does not appear to be any condition or combination of conditions that will  
06 reasonably assure the defendant's appearance at future Court hearings while addressing the  
07 danger to other persons or the community.

08 It is therefore ORDERED:

09 1. Defendant shall be detained pending appearance in Montana, and committed to the custody  
10 of the Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility;

11 2. Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with counsel;

12 3. On order of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person  
13 in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined shall deliver the  
14 defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a  
15 court proceeding; and

16 4. The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to counsel for  
17 the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States Probation Services  
18 Officer.

19                   DATED this 26th Day of January, 2024.

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21                   S. KATE VAUGHAN  
22#                   United States Magistrate Judge